

ELLINWOOD Mothers Busy Sewing Clothing For Newton Square Dance Club

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A New Square Dance Club under the direction of two teachers, Mr. Dallas and Mrs. Leach is being organized at the school from the fourth through the eighth grades.

The club meets every Friday afternoon at the school. Mothers of the girls have been busy stitching up square dance dresses. The home of Mrs. Henry Graef was the scene of much activity when 17 mothers met to cut out dresses.

The results were so acute that most of the rest are following suit and making dresses on the same pattern. It is thought that other mothers interested just call Mrs. Graef at FR 5-3304 and she will tell you how they are made.

Ellinwood did very well in the mothers' march on Feb. 18. Our chairman, Mary Johnson, reported that they brought in \$289.80. She wishes to thank all the mothers who gave so generously of their time. The participating did a marvelous job of cooking. Afterward they all gathered at Mary's home for cookies and coffee and counted the money.

And Sharon Stendel, Toni Romero, Phyllis Taylor, Betty Shifflett, Frances Murphy, Janice Lee, Sue Goode, Bernie Pickering, Kathy Arnold, Ruth Moseley, Joan Palmier, Helen Habelbusch, Loradell DeArmitt, Rosie Davis, Lois Brubaker, Marie Doss, Donna Wilson, and Mary Peck.

Brownies from our three troops here in Ellinwood will be knocking at your doors with Girl Scout cookies from the 17th to the 20th of this month. Let's get behind the little girls and give them a boost.

The Girl Scouts and Brownies of this area have been scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 22 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at El Retro Park. This group singing will be led by Mrs. Carl Pulliam of Manhattan Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. George Matter of Newton St. have house guests this week. George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Matter of Hillsville in northern California are here for a five day visit. They plan to attend Cinerama while here and will leave Saturday for home. Mr. Matter commented that our rains here may have seemed heavy, but it wasn't anything like they had in northern California.

The Ray Lee household also has some visitors. Janice's sister, Mrs. Charles Raney and baby Mauri Cole are visiting from Chicago. Her husband and father, a co-pilot for United Airlines, is on Naval Reserve duty in El Centro. Janice hopes to keep her sister here for several weeks as they have only had a chance to visit each other twice in the last nine years.

A surprise birthday party was held for Roland Rogers Saturday night in his home. A gathering of friends and relatives enjoyed an evening of cards and games after which a buffet supper was served along with the birthday cake.

Albert and Meria Wilson and two sons, Steven and David, drove to San Diego over the week end. They visit with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gil Klein, and great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klotz of that city. During their stay they visited at the home of the boys' especially enjoyed going through the shops and seeing all the wares leather goods and pottery, etc. Afterwards they had a Mexican dinner at La Casita.

The Carl Johnsons had dinner out last week and then attended Cinerama Holiday with Mary's brothers and their wives, John and Virginia and Dick and Stella Huddleston and friends John and Lois Prantin. Mary stated that her was the most thrilling part to her was the bob sled ride while Carl really enjoyed the ride in the jet and landing on the airplane carrier.

Maybe next time will be the charm—we just heard that Ramon Pickering had had luck in the races at Torrey Pines last month. After three hours of racing his MG Mark II in the endurance races the engine blew. However his wife, Bernice, reports that it was not a real expensive repair job so they were really lucky.

Capt. Pickering held one of the leads in the races at Palm Springs last December when he showed into a hole of hay in the rain. As we say—maybe the third time will be the charm.

Another couple enjoying dinner in Hollywood and then the beautiful scenes in Cinerama.

Advance Gifts Section of Red Cross Organizes

The first group in Torrance's 1956 campaign organization to initiate action on behalf of the Red Cross services, were members of the Advance Gifts committee who officially kicked off fund raising activities last Friday.

Meeting at the Palma with their chairman, Richard Pyle, and Albert Isen, overall chairman, were K. Stuart Avera, Southern California Edison Co.; Paul H. Dehne, Halverson Leavell Mortuary; Richard Felker, Felker Mfg. Co.; Milton A. Hunter, Schilling Cleaners; Richard Miller, Alter Realty; George Post, Jr., California Bank; J. W. Post, Post & Company Insurance; Fred Williamson, Bank of America; and Ken H. Miller, Wm. H. Tolson & Assoc., all of whom accepted specific soliciting assignments.

Pyle and his group pledged their "best efforts" after Isen underlined the "necessity" of over-subscribing goals this year. Isen pointed out that because the Red Cross disaster-relief service is depending on the success of the 1956 fund appeal to finance the \$8,000,000 flood rehabilitation program in earthquake-stricken areas, the Red Cross must assume an "extra responsibility in order to bring about success for the 1956 campaign."

He said that \$40,000 is now being spent by the Red Cross to repair damaged homes and to replace lost household furnishings suffered by near 80 Los Angeles area families during the recent floods.

"Thus, aside from providing funds for the blood program and all the Red Cross services for the coming year," Isen concluded, "we must do our share toward replenishing the funds of the disaster-aid service, which now has less than \$1,000,000 with which to handle any future disaster."

REQUIRED VOTING
The laws of El Salvador require every man to vote.

Wolfe Appointed
Serving on the budget committee of the Community Chest is Joseph Wolfe, 1534 Border Ave., Torrance, according to an announcement this week by A. D. Harper, chairman of the general budget committee.

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VET STUDENTS... Mrs. Sue Millstead and Joseph Gahan look over model house frame during course at Harbor Tech JC. They are two of veterans' enrollment of 438 at Wilmington school. Mrs. Millstead, a former WAF, lives in Torrance, while Gahan resides in Wilmington.

Children Have More Colds Than Adults, Mother Next

By ROY O. GILBERT, M.D.
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In all parts of the world colds have been the cause of a great deal of mild misery for centuries, and in recent weeks thousands of people in Los Angeles County have experienced this special kind of discomfort which includes sneezing, coughing and being hardly able to drag about. Absences in some schools have run as high as 25 per cent of the enrollment, and many business houses have felt the pinch of being short-handed.

Caused by Virus
Considering that as long ago as 1914, a German named Kruse recognized that a virus caused colds, not much more is known about the ailment today than was known 40 years ago. For one thing, a satisfactory method of culturing the virus has yet to be found. As was true in the past, this step usually must come before a great deal of progress can be made in research.

Lucky
The individual who never has a cold is both lucky and exceptional for the average person suffers from 4.7 colds each year, with children having about 6.09 colds annually. Naturally enough, families with school-age children suffer more colds than families without youngsters of that age. For some reason or other, fathers have fewer colds than any other member of the family. They average only 2.76 colds a year against mothers' 4.12.

As little success has been achieved in finding a treatment as in discovering a means of prevention. Neither chemotherapy nor the use of antibiotics seem to alter the course of the disease in any appreciable way. The antihistamines, hailed long as a preventive and a cure-all, do not long ago, have failed to do what the first research work seemed to promise. And colds seem to be contagious in matter. Many physicians and patients claim them to be worthless, whereas a sizeable number of physicians and patients insist just as strongly that in many instances they are quite effective.

Hahn Seeking Abandoned Rail Rights

Possible savings of \$3 million in public money was outlined this week by Supervisor Hahn in asking for a legal opinion as to the status of abandoned rail rights of way in city and unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County.

Untruths
Many false notions exist about colds, and among the most common is that a change of weather or a draft will cause one. Many physicians feel that these conditions do not even make an individual more susceptible. The simple fact of the matter is that colds are infectious passed from one person to another as a result of coughs, sneezes, kissing, or the use of contaminated towels or utensils.

Presenting his motion to the board of supervisors, which gave unanimous approval, Hahn pointed out that legal advisors to the California State Highway Department have determined that rail rights of way along state highways automatically revert to the state, for highway use when abandoned.

Serious
Today, it is as unwise to neglect caring for a cold as it was in 1789. For one thing, the "cold" may be something more serious than it seems. Indeed, if cold symptoms are accompanied by a fever which persists longer than 24 hours, the best rule is to consult a physician. Although colds generally are not considered dangerous in themselves, they are nothing to sneeze at, for these acute respiratory conditions can lead to disorders such as acute sinusitis, ear trouble, pneumonia, and a number of other ailments that can be serious if neglected.

Hahn requested the County Counsel to conduct an exhaustive legal study to determine whether rail rights of way would revert to cities and to the county when abandoned. He stated that the study should specifically include Vermont Ave., Broadway, and Hawthorne Blvd.

A pamphlet on the common cold will be mailed to anyone who sends a card of request to the Los Angeles County Health Department, 241 N. Figueroa St., Los Angeles 12.

As a result of Hahn's motion, the board of supervisors held up a proposed purchase of abandoned rail rights of way along San Vicente Blvd. in Los Angeles, pending the written opinion of the County Counsel. The appraised value of this right of way is \$77,000.

Post Office Expands
Almost 25% of the new postal buildings authorized during January were built in California according to the Regional Operations Office of the Post Office Department.

Fellowship Held
Roast beef, ham, potatoes, pie, and galety were the order of the day as the members of the Club of Christ of Torrance and their guests from Redondo and Hermosa congregations met for their first fellowship dinner of 1956. The dinner took place at the Torrance YWCA Building last Friday evening.

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